

Brookfield Conservation Commission Minutes

December 1, 2010

Present: Tom Giguere, Tom Hill, John Nelson, Dulcie Lavender. Alternates: Jennifer McKown, Dick Peckham. Selectman's representative, Ernie Brown

1. The meeting was called to order at 18:00.
2. Public Comments: None
3. Minutes Review: A correction was made in the minutes to add Dick Peckham as an attendee at the November 10th meeting. John made a motion to accept the minutes. Ernie seconded, and the motion passed.
4. Mail:
 - A. A copy of a DES (Department of Environmental Services) letter written to the Nordin family was reviewed. A project to install a culvert was halted by DES until a representative from the wetlands branch of DES can evaluate the project and a permit is obtained.
5. Old Business:
 - A. Ernie made a call to the team monitoring the Great Bay Estuary to confirm Great Bay nitrates levels discussed at our last meeting. Unfortunately, the decline of the Great Bay estuary was confirmed.
 - B. Dulcie brought up the volunteer group Tracks-to-Trails which is renovating the Wolfeboro-Wakefield railroad tracks for walking and biking. This group is looking for volunteers from Brookfield to help.
6. New Business:
 - A. Tom stated that the CC annual report will be submitted to the Selectmen by mid January. He will email a draft later this month. Dick suggested that we add a statement advising residents to contact the Conservation Commission prior to any wetland

projects. This should help avoid problems with DES such as the culvert work discussed above.

7. Report from the Selectmen:

A. Ernie sadly reported the death of Nate Weeks.

B. Ernie reported that the Selectmen are busy working on the budget. In fact the Selectmen are having a 3rd budget working session on 7 Dec at 7PM. Ernie also reported that the Agriculture Commission is having an organizational meeting at 6PM on 7 Dec.

8. Planning Board: None

9. Next meeting: 5 January 2011 at 1800.

10. The meeting was closed at 18:37.

Respectfully submitted _____
John Nelson

Minutes approved: _____